GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Registration & Stamps – Complaint against Smt. Y.V.D. Koteswaramma, Joint SR, Kovur and Sri N. Nageswara Rao, Sub Registrar by TV 5 Reporter – Preliminary enquiry conducted - Common Disciplinary Proceedings issued – Article of Charges issued – Regular Enquiry Officer appointed - Report submitted – Charge Proved - Enquiry Report communicated - Dated acknowledgement submitted – Provisional decision to impose penalty of 3% cut in monthly pension for a period of one year against Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur (now Retd) – Show Cause Notice issued – Representation received - Concurrence of the Commission – Imposition of penalty of 3% cut in monthly pension for a period of one year against Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur (now Retd) – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1068 Dated:21.11.2023

Read the following:

1. DIG, R&S, Nellore, Charge Memo No.X/436/2020-2, Dt.04.07.2020.
2. Defence Statement, Dt.22.07.2020 of Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur and presently Joint Sub Registrar, Alluru (Rtd)
3. DIG (R&S), Nellore, Procgs.No.X/436/2020-1, Dt.07.08.2020 (Appointment of Regular Enquiry Officer).
4. DIG (R&S), Nellore, Procgs.No.X/436/2020-1, Dt.10.08.2020 (Appointment of Presenting Officer).
5. DR, Gudur, Lr.No.E1/434/2020, Dt.19.04.2021 (RIA Report).
6. DIG (R&S), Nellore Proceedings No.X/436/2020, Dt: 24.04.2021.
7. From the District Registrar, Nellore, Lr.No.E1/1026/2021, dt:30.04.2021.
8. From the DIG (R&S), Nellore Lr.No.X/436/2020, Dt: 25.01.2022.
9. From the C&IG (R&S), Lr.No.X1/4353/2020, dated:17.02.2022.
10. Govt., Memo No.REGS0CIRV(DISC)/17/2022-VIG-II-2,Dated:12-09-2022.
11. From DIG, R&S, Nellore, Letter No.X/436/2020, Dt.19.10.2022.
12. Letter No.REGS0CIRV(DISC)/17/2022-VIG-II-2, Dated:30-01-2023.
13. File No.GAD03-APPS0DCC/27/2023-DC.SEC-APPSC (Computer No. 1985991) dt.09.03.2023)
14. Memo No.REGS0CIRV(DISC)/17/2022-VIG-II-4, Dated:27-06-2023.
15. Representation of Sri N.Nageswara Rao, Sub Registrar, Retired at SRO, Allur received through the C&IG, R&S, Letter No.X1/4353/2020, dt.29.08.2023.

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ORDER :

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Nellore has initiated disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991, by framing the following Article of Charge against Sri N.Nageswara Rao, Sub Registrar (now Retd):-

"Sri N. Nageswara Rao, Sub Registrar, Podalakur, Gudur Registration District, who was Suspended from service vide Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore, Proceedings No.S/643/2017-1, Dt:03.03.2020 pending disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A), Rules,1991. Accordingly, Charge memo was issued vide Dy.I.G., (R&S), Nellore Charge Memo No. S/643/2017-1, Dt:17-02-2020, for committing grave misconduct while he was working as Sub-Registrar at S.R.O., Kovur, by registering the documents 361/2015, 362/2015 458/2015, 1661/2015 and 1686/2015 of Book-I of S.R.O., Kovur, apart from certain other documents at S.R.O., Stonehousepet as mentioned therein the said Charge memo. He was suspended from service because his continuance in office will prejudice the disciplinary, proceedings. In the said suspension order it was clearly ordered at para eight that the headquarters of Sri N.Nageswara Rao, Sub Registrar, Podalakur, shall be Podalkur and he shall not leave the head quarters without obtaining the previous permission of the Disciplinary Authority. He violated the instructions of the Disciplinary

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Authority/Deputy Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, Nellore in this regard. And not only that he unauthorisedly attended and involved in the office work at the Sub-Registrar office, Kovur, which is his immediate previous station where in he has committed the above irregularities and where his wife Smt. Y.V,D, Koteswaramma, is presently working as Sub-Registrar. His attendance and involvement in the office work at S.R.O., Kovur, led to the telecast of the visuals in the T.V.-5 Telugu news channel on 17-06-2020 which tarnished the image of the Registration department."

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Charged Officer has submitted his Written Statement of Defence and after examining the same, the District Registrar, Gudur has been appointed as Regular Enquiry Officer vide reference 3rd read above, for conducting enquiry into the charges framed against the Charged Officer. The Regular Enquiry Officer Vide reference 5th read above, has submitted his Enquiry Report holding that the charge is proved against the Charged Officer.

3. A copy of the Enquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer vide reference 6th read above and in reply, the Charged Officer has not submitted his representation and the Dy. Inspector General, R&S, Nellore furnished the dated acknowledgement.

4. Government, after examination of the matter, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension for a period of one year on Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur (Retd), as the charge is proved against him and accordingly, a Show Cause Notice was issued vide reference 10th read above. The Charged Officer has not submitted his explanation (received dated acknowledgement). Government have decided to confirm the proposed punishment i.e., to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension for a period of one year on him and accordingly, the concurrence from the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has been sought in the letter 12th read above.

5. The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission vide reference 13th read above has advised to enhance the proposed punishment to ten (10%) percent cut permanently to pension. After examining the matter, a revised Show Cause Notice was issued to the charged officer vide reference 14th read above. In turn, the charged officer submitted his explanation.

6. After careful examination of the entire matter, Government have decided and hereby order to impose the penalty of three percent (3%) cut in monthly pension for a period of one year on Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur (now Retd).

7. The Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Nellore shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri N.Nageswara Rao, former Joint Sub Registrar, Podalkur (now Retd) *(through the Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore District)*
The Deputy Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Nellore District.
The Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration and Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Tadepalli, Guntur District.
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, A.P, Velagapudi.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P, Vijayawada.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada.
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SECTION OFFICER